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## Holidays bring ringing registers

Business hot despite cold

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The year-end holidays have come and gone and once again the winter's first cash crop was a bountiful one.

Despite a frigid start and a somewhat shorter-than-normal vacation period, skiers again came to Bethel in record numbers and left behind plenty of spending money.

The holiday period was brief because the bookend holidays fell on Saturdays. Weekend holidays tend to shorten the overall vacation period, since visitors are less likely to spill over onto the weekends before Christmas and after New Year's.

Nonetheless, Sunday River reported a 4 percent increase in skier visits during the core 7-day period (factoring in increased season pass sales).

Skier numbers during the vacation period pretty closely tracked the thermometer--high and comfortable toward both ends, but low and a little scary right after Christmas.

Christmas Eve and Day were record breakers, according to skiway spokesman Skip King, but the numbers tell off sharply Sunday and Monday. But by Tuesday it was once again getting comfortable out on the hill, and the parking lots were rapidly filling.

A similar pattern was apparent at Mt. Abram in Ledge Mills.

The new owners have no past numbers to measure the latest holiday week figures against, but spokesman Eric Austin said last week's turnout was "pretty good overall," rebounding well after a very slow start during the cold days early in the week.

And all things considered, Austin said, even the weather wasn't that bad. "It didn't rain and we were able to make a lot of snow."

## X-C scratchy

It was a touch-and-go week for local cross-country ski areas, but certainly better than last year, when X-C trails were bare and empty until mid-January.

At Carter's Cross-Country Ski Center, on the Middle Intervale Road, skiing started the day after Christmas on a thin, one- to three-inch base.

But trails at Sunday River Cross-Country Center in Newry and the Bethel Inn remained closed until Thursday--when a few inches of powdery precip arrived in time to save the remainder of the week.

"We were very fortunate that the snow was cold and we were able to pack it," said Sunday River owner Steve Wight. "We had done a lot of work on our trails with wood chips, so we were able to ski on minimal cover."

David Carter said that after the snowfall the skiing was so good, "Some families came back every single day," and Carter's Last Stand on New Year's Day attracted a large crowd.

## Off mountain was hopping

The cold snap early in the week even proved a boon for local merchandisers. On Sunday and Monday the skiers came into the shops to get out of the cold, and to spend.

"They were pretty liberal with their cash," said Tim Hutchins, manager of the Jack Frost shops at Sunday River. "The numbers aren't in yet, but my gut feeling is we not only broke records, we shattered them."

Local restaurants also had their hands full.

"There was more demand than the

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## Telstar skiing

## Is easy mountain access hurting alpine program?

By WENDY HANSCOM

Too much of a good thing (great skiing) might be hurting Telstar High School's alpine ski program--especially the girls' program.

At most high schools, kids who want to ski turn out for their schools' programs just to get a chance to hit the slopes a few times a week, according to Telstar downhill coach Tom Remington.

But in SAD44 there's plenty of opportunity for students to ski without making a commitment to the team.

This year's boys' alpine team is the largest (14 members) it's been in several years. But the girls' team is down to one member, and coach Remington said there are still more

good boys out there that don't race competitively for Telstar.

Remington attributed the low turnout to several factors.

"I think a lot of it has to do with commitment," Remington said.

"Just getting them to commit to something. Some kids have jobs. Personally I feel there are two big reasons for the low turnout. It's so easy for kids to ski. It's right out their back doors--Sunday River and Mt. Abram. The price of a student pass is very reasonable at Sunday River and Mt. Abram. Sunday River also offers several chances for kids to ski free--which is wonderful. It's so easy for kids to

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"BOZO" PARKS HIS FORKLIFT FOR GOOD--After 18 years at Newton & Tebbets in West Bethel, Lawrence "Bozo" Young (left) is ready to retire. Young put in his last day Friday as yard supervisor. His duties included scaling, unloading trucks and stacking lumber. Young said he will start his retirement by "taking a week to do nothing." He also plans to putter around his workshop and do some traveling with his wife Barbara. Young is pictured with mill owner Roy Newton. (Photo by Wendy Hanscom)

## Ready or not -- here comes winter!

Schools were closed, shovel sales were up, and in businesses across the area folks were staring out the window wondering when to close the shutters.

"Everybody should have just stayed home today," said Bethel Road Foreman Bob Pilgrim--only half in jest.

At The Citizen's press time Tuesday afternoon the entire state of Maine was bracing for the first old fashioned Nor'easter of the season.

And the National Weather Service was urging residents of the western mountains to ready themselves for up to two feet of snow--with high winds to follow.

No one was predicting another "Storm of the Century," but the "Storm of the Year" (so far) seemed a safe bet.

"It's going to be a major Nor'easter, said Bob Marine of the NWS. "You can almost guarantee this storm. It's going to be a real rough commute in the morning (Wednesday)."



A FACE FULL OF FLUFFY FUN--Simon Dumont of West Bethel was up to his neck in winter fun last week when the first snowstorm of the season dumped four to six inches of snow. Simon and his cousin Shawn Dumont burrowed into a snowbank and tried to stage a snowball fight, but the fluffy flakes didn't pack well and the boys just got covered with self-inflicted fluff. Weather forecasters were predicting Tuesday's Nor'easter could blanket the Bethel area with up to two feet of snow.

Photo by Wendy Hanscom

## New tree-growth regs.

## Small landowners may need a plan

By WENDY HANSCOM

Recent changes in the Tree Growth and Farm and Open Space tax laws have local town assessors looking over their tax maps and through their tree growth files. The assessors are attempting to figure out which landowners need to get out of tree growth, file a management plan or change classification.

Landowners who have less than 100 acres of non-commercial property in tree growth are affected by the law change.

The number of parcels affected by the change varies from town to town.

"In Newry there are only a couple of parcels that we've been able to find that might be affected by it," Selectman Steve Wight said. "Most of those in tree growth in Newry, harvest from their land."

Bethel Town Clerk Merton Brown said he plans to make it his goal in January to figure out the new law changes and how they affect taxpayers.

"There are some (parcels) in Bethel," Brown said. "I'm not sure how many, 10 to 15 maybe. We have approximately 100 to 150 parcels in the program, owned by about 100 people. The majority of our people have over 100 acres."

In Greenwood, selectmen will enlist the aid of O'Donnell Associates of Auburn to help notify land owners of their options.

"We have quite a few that have decided to take land out of tree growth," Selectman Marie Bartlett said. "We'll have a meeting in January and bring in John O'Donnell. We'll ask people who want to take their land out of tree growth to be there. The assessor will be able to tell them what the penalty will be."

Woodstock Town Manager Vern

**'The jig's up for everybody by April 1999. You've either got to have a plan or pay a big penalty to get out.'**

JOE WATHEN  
MMA attorney

Maxfield has about 50 parcels to deal with.

"We're working to find out who it affects and what their penalty would be if they want to get out of tree growth," Maxfield said. "We'll send them a letter."

Legislature mandates change

The state Legislature recently changed the tree growth tax law so that landowners who have less than 100 acres in tree growth, which is managed solely for personal use, have three choices:

-- get out and pay a reduced penalty

-- get a licensed forester to create or certify a management and harvest plan

-- convert to open space classification

The law change excludes parcels more than 100 acres, or parcels less than 100 acres used for commercial tree-growth purposes.

At last week's informational

meeting in Greenwood on the law changes, Maine Municipal Association staff attorney Joe Wathen said the tree-growth tax shelter was introduced in 1972 to give commercial harvesters a break.

"I know some landowners who were in tree growth for tax purposes," Wathen said. "They wanted the trees to grow and bring deer and other wildlife, but they weren't really doing anything with the land, and they didn't really need the tax break. These are the people the Legislature wants to squeeze out."

"The state is trying to get back to the intent of this program," he said. "which is for the harvest of a product, not so it will look pretty for tourists to drive through. It was meant to help bring a healthy product to harvest."

## Get out, pay less

Wathen outlined three choices for landowners affected by the law.

One option is to remove the property from tree growth and pay a two-part, but reduced, penalty.

The penalty is a recovery of the last five-year's worth of taxes, plus interest, with the amount of taxes already paid over the five years subtracted from the total. Landowners with property in tree growth less than five years, pay according to the number of years the property has been in tree growth.

Another fee is also levied. The fee will vary from town to town, but it

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## Watch out for thin ice

State Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife officials are warning ice fishermen and other winter recreational enthusiasts to be cautious on local ponds and lakes.

Fisheries and wildlife spokesman Paul Fournier said larger lakes have just frozen over during the recent cold snap, and fishermen, snowmobilers and others should make sure ice is safe before crossing.

Game Warden Donald Gray of Newry said most of the smaller lakes and ponds have five to seven inches of ice on them.

That amount is probably enough to hold a man, but a cautious approach is always the best approach, Gray said.

"Just be careful and try to find out what the pond is like," Gray said. Use a lot of common sense. Talk to the people around, find out the ice conditions. Take a chisel and measure the ice every 10 to 15 feet--some ponds freeze quicker than others."

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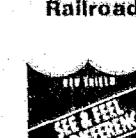
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## Letters

### BEAR RIVER STILL BLACKED OUT

To the Editor:

Most of the people on the Bear River side of Newry get two channels on their TV and some only get one channel. I get two channels and would like very much to have Channel 10 and more choice, which cable could give us.

When the first cable company wanted permission to come into town and go to Sunday River, there was talk that they had to go up both Sunday River and Bear River. The selectmen at that time never got anything in writing, which was a mistake. Then, after a couple of years the original cable company asked the selectmen at that time to sell to another company.

The selectmen gave them permission without asking the townspeople what they thought about it. And, again, there was nothing in writing that they would come up Bear River also. So again, the Bear River side of town lost out.

At the time I was under the impression that when cable went into the condos they would count so many condos as a mile to help us get cable on this side of the town.

It seems to me we are being left out. When cable went up, there wasn't 20 houses per mile and there still isn't at this time.

I think most people would like cable in the Bear River Valley. I know I would.

*Elmer Davis  
Newry*

### BETHEL MEMORIES ARE FOREVER

To the Editor:

I am writing to thank everyone for the Christmas cards. It's hard to believe a year ago from today my family and I were in Florida visiting Mickey Mouse. Thanks to all of you.

I know I haven't written in a while. I spent most of my summer in Bethel. I saw a lot of old faces and new faces. Some people didn't recognize me. They're used to the long, brown hair and the red CRX with TP-JR vanity plates. Now it's the short, brown hair and white 300 2Xs with Massachusetts plates. People finally connected the face, voice, and Massachusetts plates, and the zoom down Vernon Street. The lead foot comes from Mom.

I had to leave the fresh, clean air and go back to city life. I went back to work and my life got back into the swing of things. Things have been going great.

Then Dec. 20, a flashback of last year came back into my life. The cancer has returned. I am very disappointed. Very sad with life. I've been strong through all of this past year, but knowing I'll have to start all over again is it really worth it?

All I ask for is no sympathy or sadness. Just prayers, either at church, the dinner table, or when you're alone. Pray that God does what he has to. What is best for me. That's all I ask.

I love Bethel. My favorite memories: Vince Chapman on school bus, Danny Myers, seeing my first moose, and I always loved coon hunting, my trip in the South Paris Dunkin' Donuts with Chris Bennett after a Friday night at the mountain, and my dearest memories in high school with J.M. Memories are a gift that no one can ever pay for or take away from you.

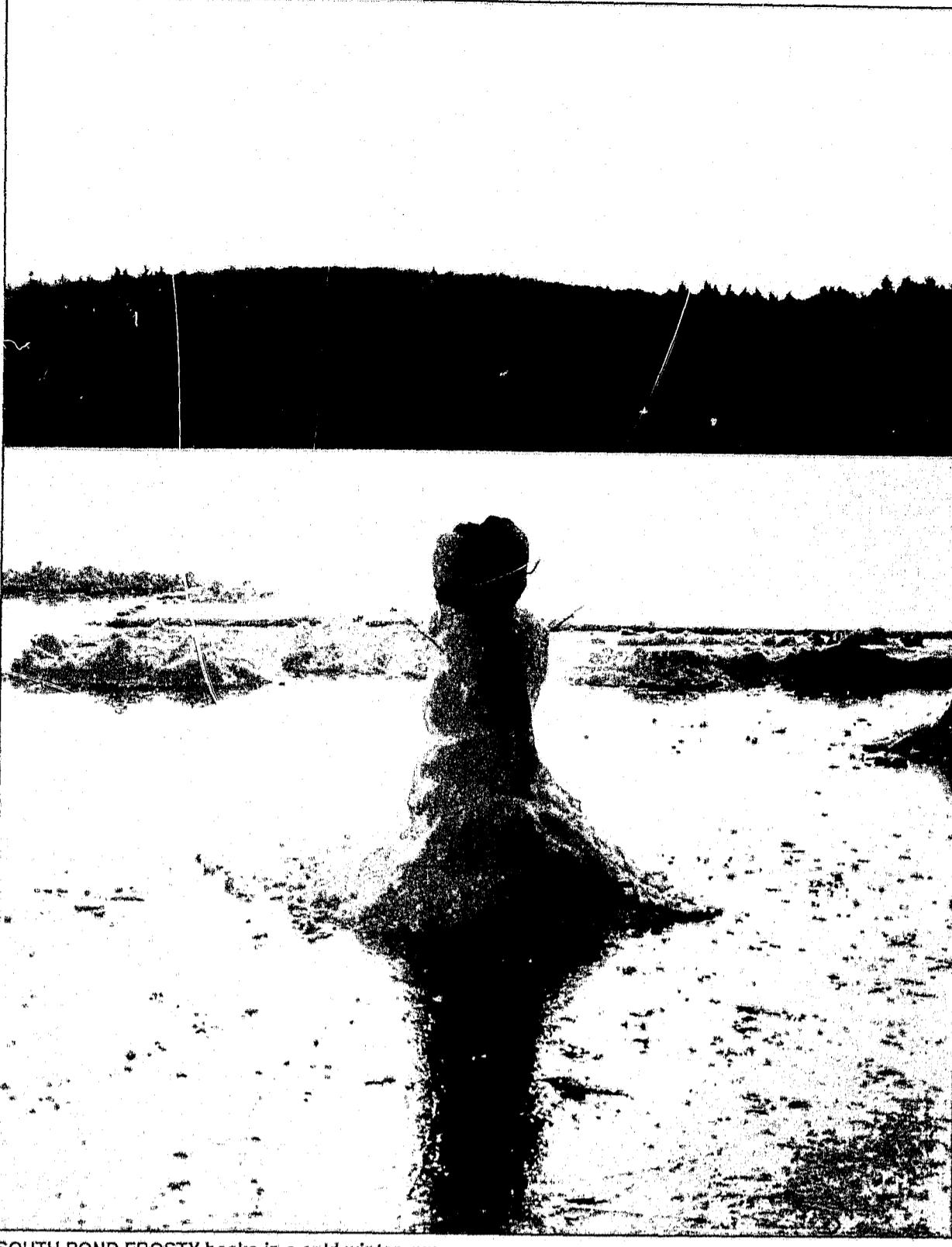
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### Rep. Snowe to host meeting in Bethel

U.S. Rep. Olympia Snowe will host a public meeting in Bethel on Wednesday, Jan. 12.

The purpose of the meeting will be to hear citizens' concerns on such issues as health care reform, the budget, congressional reform, crime control, agriculture and small business.

The meeting will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the meeting room of the Bethel Town Office.



*(Photo by Michael Daniels)*

### Andover

## Education fund passes goal

By ROBERT BOUASSA

As temperatures fell over the past few months, thermometer on Andover Common steadily rose to a red-hot \$11,700.

The thermometer represents contributions to the Andover Education Fund. But the \$11,700 is only about half of the contributions' true value.

That's because last September, native son Robert Spidell, who is now a California publisher and tax consultant, challenged the education fund by offering to match-up to \$10,000—every dollar it raised by Dec. 31.

The fund's directors accepted the challenge and launched a mail campaign of 1,250 letters of solicitation.

"We contacted Andover alumni, current residents, former residents, businesses and anyone else we thought might like to help," Andover Education Fund President

Sharon Hutchins said this week. "The response was wonderful. We went over the top on Dec. 21, and contributions are still coming in."

The money—nearly \$22,000 with Spidell's matching amount—will enrich the Charles A. Cutting Endowment Fund. That fund was named in memory of another native son and a former Andover Education Fund director.

The Cutting endowment was established in March 1992 with \$20,000 donated by Spidell, who helped revive the Andover Education Fund in 1987.

The fund was established in 1957 but was pretty much dormant before Spidell made his initial contribution.

The proceeds from the fund are awarded as college scholarships to high school students from Andover.

In addition to endowed scholarships, the education fund directors

administer an assistance program to help local high school students who want to pursue post-secondary education.

Known as the "A" plan, money earned through student-sponsored activities such as raffles, bake sales and dances is placed in a deposit-only savings account. The fund directors have power of attorney over the account.

The proceeds are credited to each participating student on an equal share basis and used to defray the first semester or first year costs of any approved program of higher learning.

Spidell gives each student participating in plan "A" \$100 for each year of their involvement in the program.

Since its revival in 1987, the Andover Education Fund has provided about \$45,000 in scholarship assistance to 56 local students.

### THIS WEEK AT THE Moses Mason House

The annual "So You Think You Know Bethel" contest will be the feature of the Jan. 6 meeting of the Bethel Historical Society to be held in the meeting room of the Dr. Moses Mason House, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in attending this meeting is cordially invited to do so.

During 1993 a number of donations were received in memory of Richard Bryant, long-time society member who died on March 20, 1993. The Richard N. Bryant Memorial Fund has been established in his memory; income from this memorial fund will be used to support society operations.

Another issue of the society's quarterly "The Bethel Courier" is expected to be published soon.

Anyone wishing a complimentary issue should call the society office at 824-2908 or write the society at P.O. Box 12.

Those interested in participating in the "Different People, Different Places" reading and discussion series at the Bethel Library are reminded that the first session begins on Wednesday, Jan. 12, at the library at 7 p.m. The series is free and open to all. Anyone wishing further information should call the Bethel Library at 824-2520. Books are available at the library for the series.

### LOOKING BACK

10 years ago: Merry Ann Robertson received her master's degree in educational administration from the University of Southern Maine, Portland. The Bethel Inn management staff (Dick Rasor, Gretchen Davidson, Ray and Ann Moran, Don and Kathy Bennett) hosted a Christmas party for the local friends of the inn. Birth: Joel Doyon. Deaths: Jorgen Olson, Florence Bean, Archie Waltham.

20 years ago: Maine received 87.4 percent of the number two heating oil that was delivered in December 1972. The main complex of the Town and Country Motor Inn in Shelburne, N.H., was destroyed by fire, causing an estimated \$500,000 in damage. Birth: Deborah Dingley. Marriage: Sherry Hutchinson and Bruce Young.

30 years ago: Grace and Ernest Buck celebrated their 47th wedding anniversary with an open house planned by Albert and Norma Buck, assisted by Raymond and Beatrice Buck. Hanover Dowel Company distributed approximately \$15,000 in bonuses to its employees. Harry and Barbara Kuzyk installed new booths and a soda fountain at their newly-purchased Campus Malt Shop on Church Street (formerly Cotton's Restaurant). Births: Judith Hamilton, Sally Bennoch. Marriages: Pamela Tyler and George Essex, Jr.; Alton Howard and Glynda Witter; Michelle Favreau and Maurice Roy. Deaths: Phillips Brooks, Errol O. Donahue, Sr.

40 years ago: Harold G. Bennett was elected president of the Bethel Chamber of Commerce. Stanley Lord was presented a Tree Farm Certificate. Sally Bodwell purchased Sylvia's Beauty Shoppe on Mechanic Street (currently Sally's Beauty Shop). Marriage: Martha Waterhouse and Raymond Bulmer. Deaths: Frank Brooks, Christine Berry, Rollin Dinsmore.

50 years ago: Priscilla Carver was elected president and Carolyn Bryant vice president of the newly-formed Year Round Club. Ada Conner was elected Worthy Matron of Purity Chapter, O.E.S. James Barnett was temporary Star Route carrier from Upton to Bethel. Births: Gary Fuller, Beth Ann Brown, Bonita Eames. Deaths: James Packard, William Adams.

### BETHEL/AUBURN TRAIN TRIP ON CHANNEL IV

Public access cable television Channel IV will show "Bethel on Board" at 7 p.m. on Jan. 5 and 10.

The show features Tom and Melinda Remington interviewing local residents on board the Sunday River Express's Dec. 18 inaugural run from Bethel to Danville Station in Auburn and back.

### Oil prices

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saying "Come and fill it up. The price isn't going to get any lower."

According to Monday's survey by the State Planning Office, the average oil price in central Maine was 76 cents, which is up 2.4 cents from last week's price. The statewide average is 77.7 cents.

This week marks the midpoint of the heating season monitored by state and federal agencies. The average price in Maine this week fell well below last year's mid-season average, according to the State Planning Office. The 25-week season begins the first week of October and ends the first week of April.

The average price of number two heating oil for the 13th week of last year's survey was 10 cents higher than the average price reported this week.

Wednesday, January 5, 1994

### Tree growth

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There's also another catch to option: once a landowner withdraws tree growth and the lesser penalty, he cannot change the use of the property until April 1999.

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**Boys' downhillers on the rebound**

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Another option is to stay in tree growth and manage the land according to a forest management and harvest plan.

Landowners or licensed foresters can prepare the plan. But if the landowner prepares the plan himself, a licensed forester must still sign off on it.

The approved plan must include some commercial use of the lot, Wathen said. That use could include planning to sell as little as one cord of firewood a year, or harvesting fir boughs to make and sell wreaths.

Landowners who choose this option must file a sworn statement with the assessor by April 1, 1995.

### Change classification

The third option for non-commercial property holders with less than 100 acres is to apply for Open Space classification. This can be done without penalty, and the landowner still gets a tax break.

The application must be filed by April 1, 1994.

To qualify for converting to open space, landowners must convince assessors that the parcel conserves scenic resources, enhances public recreational opportunities, promotes game management or preserves wildlife and wildlife habitat.

**Under Open Space classification,** the landowner gets a break according to three types of valuation. The three classifications are regular Open Space, permanently protected and forever wild.

The largest tax benefit, a 95 percent reduction in valuation, going to forever wild land with public access allowed.

"You can convert to open space without a penalty," Wathen said. "But it has a hook in it. Basically it means you've put some type of conservation easement on it."

Under the new changes in the law, the owners of commercial property under 100 acres must also file a plan by April 1, 1995.

"The jig's up for everybody by April 1995," Wathen said. "You've either got to have a plan or pay a big penalty to get out."

Town assessors have more information on the amended Tree Growth and Farm and Open Space tax laws, Wathen said, and how it affects individual taxpayers.

**SWOAM** and the University of Maine Cooperative Extension will also hold a panel discussion/public debate on who is affected by the changes on Thursday, Jan. 13, 7 p.m. at the extension office on Olson Road in South Paris. Pre-registrations are required by Jan. 7 at 743-6329.

## Business

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area could handle," said Jack Cronin at the Sudbury Inn. "We turned away probably 200 people every night for dinner the last four nights of the year. I'm sure people got a little frustrated because they didn't plan. The demand is still high for good dining. The pub had high demand too—an hour wait for seating some nights."

Loretta Varo at the Only Place agreed. "We had an excellent Christmas vacation. It was probably up for us 50 percent from last year. Last winter it was definitely off for us, so we call this winter back to us."

The only drawback to the most recent vacation period appeared to be its relative brevity. "Christmas week was great," said Sue Burnham at Mothers, "but since we missed the week before Christmas, we're probably down a bit overall."

Local beds were as much in

demand as dining reservations.

"If we had more rooms we could have filled them," said Donna Halacy at the Bethel Area Reservation Services. "We ran out. I booked some into Gorham and Norway, at the end I was telling people they should look into Lewiston and Auburn."

### Fighting that inner chill

Business was also booming at the local pharmacy last week—but as much because of local bugs as out-of-town skiers.

"I was more busy with prescriptions than I've ever been," said Dave Preble of Preb's Pharmacy. The drugstore almost ran out of cough and cold medicine, he said, and even ran perilously low on the high-proof palliatives sold only to sufferers over 21.

## Augusta's winter crop

By MIKE BROWN

Because Maine anchors the nation's northeast corner, and the only state joined by a single sister state, wintertime spirit can become rather scarce. And winter crops even scarcer.

However, the state's forefathers fortuitously foresaw this activity gap way back in 1820 and established a joyous winter harvest fest called the legislative winter session. This is when the political orchards perfectly ripen and the fruit is picked and sent to an enormous produce warehouse in Augusta. And all labeled, of course, by the personal pickers from Kittery to Fort Kent as the state lies.

The gift boxes of fruit are packed by full employees houses and publicly displayed, which isn't as generous as it sounds. The public picks up the whole tab.

A sample of this year's Maine winter harvest:

LD 1575—Downhome beer mini-breweries are in. Big Bud is out. This bill would allow holders of brewery licenses to sell big suds, specialty package, 15 1/2 gallons of beer on premises instead of the current dinky mundane one gallons. This will also probably change the 1994 drunken driving stats.

LD 1579—Cutting lobster trap gear is an old and cherished Maine custom. This bill puts more daring into the game. The rules now are that molestation (that's what it's called) by a practicing lobster catcher of another practitioners gear, and being caught of course, can ground the perpetrator for three years. The new rule on grounding would be up to the judge. In the judge's lifetime, maybe. That invents a new game—Lobster Roulette.

LD 1586—The protection of a Maine endangered species, the covered salt/sand shed aster, would come with the passage of this bill. The transplanting of this humped dome species into Maine in 1986 didn't particularly take to the native's fancy. The old Maine hippies insisted on fertilizing it, however, and the latest propagation initiative is to

increase the current \$22 motor vehicle registration fee by \$1 which will raise some \$392,000 in nutrients for the endangered salt/sand sheds. That's a big load of tax manure anyway you pile it.

LD 1572—One of the lesser known crimes in Maine is that of volunteer firemen fixing low-voltage fire alarms and sirens all by themselves. A short on the firehouse horn, however, must be legally fixed by a licensed electrician. While waiting for an electrician a few houses burned down and OSHA promised to find handy firemen for impersonating electricians. This fruity bill exempts firemen from the slammer for splicing shorts in the firehouse horn.

LD 1582—Another lesser known Maine fact is that road dust, an inherited indigenous nuisance, is also against the law. Dusty Roads is called "fugitive emissions" by the gummint. So what happens when some hip residents find out about it and demand a few hundred tons of calcium chloride to blanket o'l Dusty? Gummint panic, that's what. This fruity bill exempts unpaved (that's dirt) public and private roads from the fugitive emissions provisions.

LD 1568—This Maine orchard peach is a sop to out-of-staters who want to be sort of Maine residents but can't stand the cold. Here's the deal. If they own an antique auto or horseless carriage, Secretary of State Bill Diamond will issue them a resident plate. The catch: it can't leave the state. For instance, President Bill Clinton could get a Maine plate for his horseless carriage and keep it in George Mitchell's garage but Bill couldn't drive it around Arkansas or Washington, D.C.

The Augusta warehouse is overflowing with winter fruit and the vendors are ready and willing to bargain on price and quantity.

C'mon down.  
(Veteran newsman and columnist Mike Brown writes regularly on the Augusta political scene. His views are his own and do not necessarily reflect those of The Citizen.)

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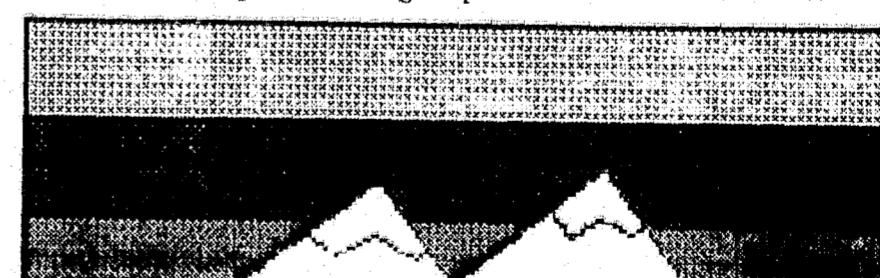
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- Ski-way - Sunday River Brewing Co., Bethel ..... \$3.00
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**Andover**

By KAREN MCKAY

There will be a Rabies Clinic at the fire station on Saturday, Jan. 15, from 9-10:30 a.m. Dog owners will also be able to license their dogs at that time, proof of neutering is required. All town dogs must be licensed by Jan. 31.

E3 Jeff Bailey, son of Brenda and Chris Bailey, was home over the holidays. Jeff is stationed on the ship U.S.S. George Washington, which calls Norfolk, Va. its home port.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Farrington and family of Governor's Island, N.Y., have been visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Farrington over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Kerchner and family of Wellesley, Mass., were in town over the holiday vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith were at Mr. Jerry Manson's on Dec. 24 to enjoy Christmas with their great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith had Christmas dinner with Gary Smith in Rumford.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Bourne and children of Ogunquit visited at the Bartlett Homestead on Dec. 29.

Ms. Hannah Kimball is home for the holidays from Castleton State College in Castleton, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Wilson hosted a big Christmas gathering on Dec. 24. Attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Crockett and their children and families; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crockett and Jason, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Crockett, Howard Crockett with son Mike and fiance Kelly Harrington, George Crockett and friend "Tubby" Bachelor of Newry, Grace Gibson and daughter Theresa, and George Sprague of Mass., Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Libby, and Jarrod Crockett.

Jennifer Stowell is home from the University of Alaska.

Jack and Lucy Nordahl spent Christmas in Providence, R.I., and saw their new grandson, Keaton.

Carrie Olson and friend Craig Auge were at Mr. and Mrs. Neil Olson's for Christmas.

Ann, Richie, Katie, and Mary Grelle of Connecticut visited at Mr. and Mrs. Neil Olson's Dec. 26 to 30.

Marilyn Mollicone of Augusta visited her father, Leslie Noyes and daughter Nina from Dec. 24 to 26.

Dori Hallman and daughters Megan, Heather, and Whitney of Durham visited Arlene Harrington on Dec. 25. All had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Fuller at Locke Mills.

Mrs. Florence Hastings spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bancroft of Paris Hill, returning home on Dec. 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haines' granddaughter Cassandra is doing very well and should be home soon.

Albert Foster had Christmas Eve supper with his sister Grace Smith of Locke Mills. Albert had Christmas supper on Dec. 25 with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Westleigh, along with Myra Foster, Dick and June Stearns. On Dec. 19, Mr. and Mrs. John Foster of Andover had Albert Foster for supper at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bean, with daughters Stacy and Jennifer had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Fuller of Locke Mills.

Leland Coolidge had Christmas

dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bessey at Rumford Corner.

On Dec. 18, Ruby Coolidge attended a big Christmas gathering with the Hart family. It was a potluck supper with 55 family members present for the supper and tree.

Ms. Ruby Coolidge hosted a big Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Steve Cross and children, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Walker and children and Mr. Stanley Walker all there.

**Bryant Pond**

By ALICE HOYT

Every Tuesday is Bryant Pond hour on Channel 14-TV.

Tuesday, Jan. 18, is the annual business meeting at the Baptist Church. Please have your reports in by Jan. 9.

The Woodstock Senior Citizens will meet on Jan. 6 at the Town Conference Room with a potluck dinner at noon. Please bring your own place setting and a dish to pass. The program will feature Lynda Haegel from Community Concepts.

The Woodstock Historical Society tries to preserve and display the best exhibits it can. They also know antiques are the artifacts of history and stores our treasures. Curator Larry Billings has given a couple more exhibits to the museum. The Society is starting its 15th year. The next meeting will be Jan. 8 with Sheriff Herick as speaker on the History of the Sheriff and Sheriff's Department. All are welcome to attend the 7 p.m. meeting.

Judith Grover Tent No. 17 will meet for a supper and installation of officers on Monday, Jan. 10 at the Grange Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hoover and Marybeth returned home on Tuesday after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hoyt, over Christmas. Joseph and Maggie Hoyt visited their dad James and grandparent Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hoyt Wednesday through Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoyt visited Sunday to Tuesday for Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. David Crockett visited on Christmas. On Sunday, Beatrice Farnum, the Hoyts and Chases observed Christmas with 33 present.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Hathaway were guests of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Estes, for Christmas Day dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Reynold Jordan on Christmas Eve; and their families were at their home on Christmas night.

Mrs. Ruth Dunham had dinner with her son, Mr. and Mrs. James Tyler on Sunday.

Sympathy is extended to the Charlie Howes family on the death of his sister Evelyn.

Sympathy is also extended to the family of Arnie Rainey.

**East Bethel**

By NANCY MERCER

Mr. and Mrs. Rudi Honkala spent Christmas with their daughter Christi and son Doug in Falls Church, Va. Their daughter Vickki flew in from Dallas, Texas. They returned home on Dec. 28.

Chris Olson now coaches the Mountain Valley High School girls' basketball team.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tessell and children, Jonathan and Becky, are at

their home from Exeter, N.H.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kitteridge spent Christmas morning at his parents' home in Whitefield. Christmas evening, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bean and children Monica and Chad, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Wojtysiak of Portland, and Peggy Coolidge had a tree and refreshments at Mr. and Mrs. John Kitteridge's.

Mrs. Peggy Coolidge enjoyed a family tree and refreshments with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Coolidge on Dec. 24.

Opal Tyler and Peggy Coolidge attended the Senior Citizens dinner hosted by the Bethel Rotary Club at the American Legion Hall in Bethel on Dec. 21. This was their Christmas meeting.

George Bethel is home for the holidays from U.R.I. and Debbie Bethel and friend Mike Connolly were at the Bethels' home for Christmas Day.

Ryan Bernier was home from Germany and returned on Jan. 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Larrel Pelletier and children of Manchester, N.H., Mr. and Mrs. Chester Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Tuominen and children of North Norway, Jim Kimball and friend Vicki and daughter Mariah of Norway, and Danielle from St. Joseph's College all enjoyed a Christmas dinner at Mr. and Mrs. Andre Bernier's on Dec. 26.

Chad Pellefert was home from Oklahoma and was at the Berniers' for Christmas on Dec. 26.

Jeremiah Bolen of Oregon visited Mr. and Mrs. Andre Bernier recently.

**Gilead**

By LOUISE LORING

The last week of 1993 held us in the icy fingers of a cold snap that kept its grip upon all of us up here in the North Country. There hasn't been much activity observed throughout this little hamlet except people trying to get their vehicles warmed up and running. Most of the neighbors were noted making frequent trips to their woodpiles to keep that smoke trailing upwards lazily into the blue azure skies. The moon shone upon the snow in the evenings, and it seemed as though we were living in the land of the midnight sun. You hardly needed to light a lamp, as the interior of the homes were infused with moon rays.

The patterns of moonlight as they shone in my bedroom window took the form of the lacy curtains upon the ceiling, the fires died down, and cozy comforters and quilts were piled high upon the beds to keep off the room's sudden chill. What a comfort in the morning when the fires were lit, the teakettle singing and the aroma of freshly-brewed coffee wafted throughout the household. So there are some good things to be said for winter chills -- a quilt, crackling fires, singing teakettles, aromas of coffee, fresh bread-a-baking, and a stew simmering away on the back burner. All these things put together make a house a home, and winter chills.

Sound? The rustle of oak leaves, still clinging to mother tree, a whisper in the tree tops, a single leaf rattling behind you, rushing past you to its destination. But where?

The winter brilliant is so close now in that intensity of the universe above you. And you try to look through and beyond. How much closer they look in December than in June.

Interested in patterns? Pick them out; Orion, the hunter, the big dipper, the north star and many others.

I returned in a few minutes from a minus six below zero to a warm seventy.

My thought was, "This is not a year's end but just the beginning of another tomorrow."

I wish each of you a good new year. And may it bring to each new opportunities for service and joy in the work that is yours to do.

The rush of Christmas is over.

however foreboding, a joy to come in out of.

Beverly Corriveau was in Rumford one day last week to sign up for her unemployment.

Justin Buken spent his holiday vacation with Joseph Bagnell of Everett, Mass. "Joe" kept a restaurant here at one time.

Ronald Ferris and Ed Rice were in Norway running errands one day last week.

Ed and Peggy have rented a 1985 Escort until their vehicle is repaired.

Lots of birds are at the feeders.

We have especially enjoyed a pair of cardinals again this year, along with mourning doves, jays, finches, grosbeaks, numerous chickadees, woodpeckers, and a pair of gray squirrels, who manage to keep the seeds devoured down to the last crumb, needing refills at least twice daily.

A stray tiger cat with a red collar has been seen around Ellie Amidon's and Millie McClain's.

The ladies are trying to find its owner, as they are afraid Tabby's collar will catch in the bushes. Do any of you know who "belongs" to this strange visitor?

That's about all that's going on. Please, folks, call in, not for my benefit, but so that our community can be recognized in proper perspective by our neighbors. Thank you.

**Greenwood City**

By COLISTA MORGAN

From Christmas it has been bitterly cold, but one evening I braved the chill for a few minutes to see the outside world. I donned my slacks, boots, coat and hat and went for a brief stroll up my driveway. I looked at the winter night and the stars strangely brilliant, as they shone through the trees and winked at the wind, which was blowing, seemed to be whipping them.

If you have walked a country road on a winter night, you know the brilliance of the stars. The trees and hills form a silhouette against their glow and that of the moon. The night seems to come alive and reflect a path through the woods and across the pond, giving shape to the birches and rocky banks.

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The pond has finally closed and the new ice is dark with hundreds of small, white snow flowers all over it. I think it will stay that way until spring time. I have heard the ice moan several times and it travels from shore to shore.

Rena Curtis' children and grandchildren celebrated Christmas on Sunday, the 26th. Many of them called to see me on their way to or from Rena's.

We had a wonderful day at the farm on Christmas Day. There were 10 of us. Three were unable to come because of sickness.

Nestor Tammelin's family celebrated at Ardell's and Betty's home.

Milton and Eleanor Inman were with their children and grandchildren on the holiday.

My sister Lucy and I were at Clover Manor recently to visit our brother Albert, and Marie Curtis visited him one day also.

**No. Woodstock**

By SHANE BILLINGS

I hope that everyone had a nice Christmas. It is a wonderful time of the year, but I can't help feeling a little sad now that the holidays are over. As the new year comes upon us, we should reflect on the past 12 months and look ahead to the new year. Time seems to pass so quickly; although it doesn't seem possible, it will be Christmas time again before we know it.

My family had a lovely Christmas morning. I was very happy with all of my gifts, but as I get older I realize that it's just as enjoyable for me to watch my family open their gifts as it is for me to open mine.

On Christmas Eve, Sterling and Irene Miller hosted their annual family Christmas party at their home on Rimford Avenue. Guests were: Tammy Billings, Andrew and Peter Mills, Dan and Betsey Cummings, Tim Mills, Shane Billings, Carly and Russ Cummings, and Jason and Bridget Billings. Gifts were exchanged and a wonderful time was had by all.

On Christmas Eve, Tony and Sue Silver and children Joelle and Erron went to the home of Robert and Ruby Silver for a party. The next evening Tony and Sue enjoyed the company of Chris and Terri Cooper. Gifts were exchanged and a lovely meal was served by Sue.

Norma Davis had a Christmas party with her family.

Emma Billings and Lloyd Davis received a visit from Cathy and Donald Gensure on Dec. 28. Cathy is a cousin, and it was the first time in several years that she had seen either Emma or Lloyd.

That's all the news for this week. I hope everyone stays safe and happy.

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## South Woodstock

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### High Street

West Paris  
By RUSSELL YATES

and Derek Leonard and Sheila Verill. A buffet supper and tree with many presents were enjoyed.

Beverly Stevens visited Andrea one night this week. Beverly was Andrea's boss at the ASC's office where she worked, and it was fun catching up on all the news of the offices.

Larry Billings, curator of Woodstock Historical Society, reports that the society is interested in the charm of old homes in our area, and the museum houses relics of other lives and times. The society combines the past, present and future. The society recently held a Christmas party that the members seemed to enjoy. They often sponsor social activities.

Richard Wing had a few days off for the Christmas holiday. However, one of the days was a "state shutdown" day.

What cold weather we've been having the last few days. I guess winter has finally caught up with us. Hope everyone had a nice Christmas and have a safe and happy new year. Try to keep warm.

Another Monday morning has rolled around and what a cold morning. It was 8 degrees below zero, and with a good, stiff wind blowing it was really cold. I just hope that none of you good people have frozen water pipes. I ran some water several times during the night here and our pipes were fine.

Last Monday forenoon, the telephone repair man came and finished laying some new wires, and now our telephones work just fine again.

In the evening we went to Bryant Pond for our Franklin Grange meeting. This was the night for our Christmas program and our lecturer, Anna Swan, had done lots of decorating and had a Christmas tree with lots of trimmings and lights. We had quite a good attendance, and I think everybody had a good time.

Tuesday was a real rough day with wind and rain. We had all rain here, but brother Bryce and wife Barbara came down over High Street to leave some of their Christmas presents, and they found quite a lot of snow and slush on the upper end of the street. They were on their way to Lewiston in the rain and we

hoped they'd make it back home to Sunday River without any trouble.

The next day Peggy spent part of the forenoon doing some cooking. She made another batch of her oatmeal yeast bread and then mixed up some cranberry-apple bread. I had prepared the apples to go into that while she mixed up the yeast bread, so that helped speed up the operation. After the breads were baked and cooled down, Peggy made up two Christmas bags containing yeast bread, cranberry-apple bread and Molasses cookies. In the afternoon we delivered one Christmas bag to Richard and Barbara Felt and the other one we delivered to Mary Smith. Then we went on to Paris Farmer's Union in South Paris, where I bought some drills to give to my brother as part of his Christmas present. On our way home we stopped at Gail Butterfield's in South Paris so I could pay my Pomona dues.

It was time for me to have another blood test, so we went down street in the forenoon on Thursday. We went to the hospital first to have blood drawn and then we picked up groceries at Shop 'n Save before returning home. Sister Laura made a short call in the afternoon, bringing Christmas presents, as she didn't

plan to join us on Christmas Day. Her grandson Preston Cobb was with her and they were going to Rumford to do some shopping. Schools are now closed for Christmas vacation for the kids, and Preston was visiting Laura.

Peggy and I want to thank the members of the McMilliken Sportsman Club for the nice holiday fruit basket that was delivered on Friday evening. We certainly are appreciating it even though it came as a complete surprise. Thank you all again; the fruit is very nice.

Saturday morning was quite nice, so we started the day by going to West Bethel to the home of Loretta and Emerson Merrill. Their son Russell was home from Georgia, and we were joined by James and Mary Merrill and their daughter Kayla. Loretta had some goodies set out to lunch on, which of course we sampled. Then we exchanged Christmas gifts and had a real good time. Peggy and I stayed until nearly 11 a.m., and then left, as we were to be at Viva's daughter's in Auburn for lunch and the Christmas tree there.

The traveling was good, and when we got to Viva's daughter's in Auburn in the car right behind us was Viva's son Wendall and wife

Viola and their son Tom. Whitman and his friend Sherri, Wynona had been to the Odd Fellows Home and brought her mother over, and Jim and Helen Stratton were already there, also Mike's father. Wynona had prepared a nice roast turkey dinner with all the fixings, and everything was delicious. People who came brought desserts and the food was delicious and plentiful, as it always is at our gatherings. After dinner and dishes were taken care of we all enjoyed the gifts from the large Christmas tree. Santa Claus was real generous again this year at both of these Christmas gatherings, and we received more than we deserved.

When we returned home we brought back gifts for some that couldn't join us. We had a real good time at both parties and wish the whole family could have been there. After we got home and settled in, we had more gifts from our small Christmas tree here. It surely was a very fruitful Christmas for both Peggy and myself, and I wish all others could have fared just as well. A problem arises when you try to decide what to do with all of the gifts.

There was a dance at Locke Mills Town Hall in the evening but Peggy felt that she'd had exercise enough

to last for the night.

It was very quiet here yesterday. It snowed a quarter of an inch in the early part of the day, but it was rather cool outside and we spent part of the day trying out our tree presents to see if they were a fit and trying to decide what to do with them. Anyway winter has arrived. Christmas is here for one more year, and the evergreens are arriving daily. Now we have to start planning on our parties for next month.

I want to take this space to wish all the readers a very Healthy Happy New Year.

There will be a dance at the Locke Mills Town Hall on Jan. 20, with the Richard E. Fitchester band furnishing the music.

Period callers at the Lovejoy homestead have been David Small and his daughter, Walter, from Kennebunkport.

Chris Wettmore from South Paris stopped by one day and other callers have been Sonya Harrinen and daughter from South Paris.

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# New businesses booming



A DEN OF HOME COOKING—Shawn and Rachel Martin of Andover recently opened the Den Restaurant in Newry. The couple have leased Bear River Cabins, including the convenience store and restaurant. The Martins serve homestyle cooking made from scratch. Homemade pot roast, meatloaf, maple-walnut chicken, vegetarian dishes, rolls, pies and more are offered daily. The store is open seven days a week. The restaurant serves breakfast, lunch and dinner daily and opens at 5:30 a.m. (Photo by Wendy Hanscom)



PROVINCIAL AND COUNTRY FOOD—Chris Jylkka (left) and Robert Scott recently opened the Monk's Inn on the Mayville Road, (formerly the location of the Mayville Tavern). The restaurant serves lunch, dinner and late supper seven days a week in a casual atmosphere. The menu features stews, fondue, wines, breads and more. "It's good hearty food for a reasonable price," Scott said. The cuisine can be compared to what travelers in Europe might find in ski-country monasteries, he said. Live blues and jazz entertainment is featured in the restaurant's loft weekend evenings. Scott and Jylkka have owned or helped manage over 40 restaurants from New York City to Bethel, Scott said. (Photo by Wendy Hanscom)



WELLNESS CENTER OPENS ON MAYVILLE ROAD—Janet Willie and Henry Sirois recently opened Riverside Therapeutics on the Mayville Road. The pair offer a variety of services including massage, muscle and sports therapy, and workshops and classes on various wellness issues. Other therapists at the facility offer herbal facial massage, resonant kinesiology and Reiki, a Tibetan healing art which promotes self-awareness, increased body movement and relaxation. Riverside Therapeutics also has several books, tapes and videos in its growing library. Sirois said. Appointments are recommended, 824-3689. (Photo by Wendy Hanscom)

## MANAGEMENT CLUB

Western Maine Management Club will meet at the Bethel Inn on Jan. 13. The annual board will be from 7:30 to 9 p.m. with an informal dinner to follow. The meal will be \$12.50 per person. Reservations are required by Jan. 10. Call 824-3689 or 824-3688. Non-members are welcome. Hot tubs are provided at the Inn. Maine Lobster

## and Salads

Persorations for the meeting are to be taken by Terri Grover of Fred P. Saunders Co. in Bridgton, 647-5444 no later than Friday, Jan.

Western Maine Management Club, started in 1961, is made up of business people in Western Maine who meet on the first Monday of each month.

## FROM THE

### Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

All members and friends are invited to January's Business After Hours, to be held on Monday, Jan. 10, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Den Restaurant on Route 2 in Newry. Owners Rachel and Shawn Martin look forward to welcoming you to their new business.

The Bethel Area Chamber along with the Maine's Lake and Mountains Tourism Council, will

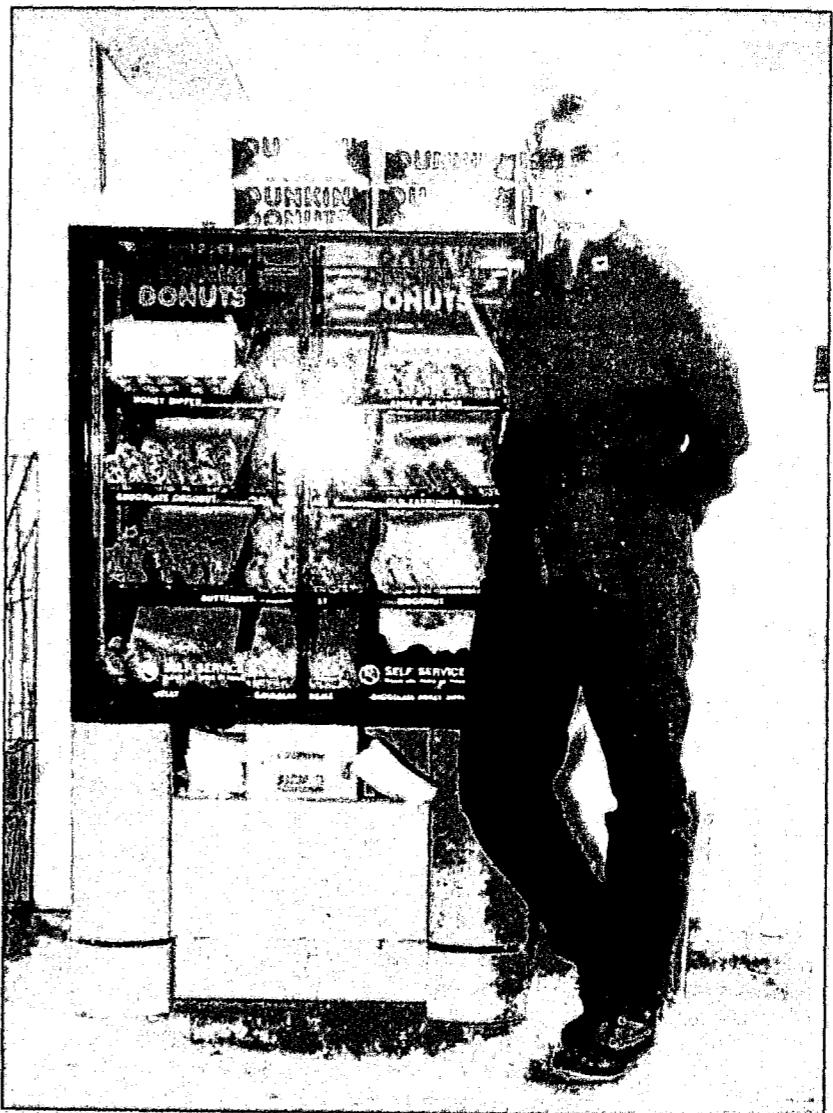
attend the Vacation World Travel Show in Boston from Jan. 14-17. Robin Zinchuk will be the representative at the show, along with member Linda Riemenschneider.

Many thanks to Mary Jo Kennett, who has recently retired from her position on the board, for all her work during her term. Welcome to Paula Giffes, who will be filling an unexpired board term.



NEW PIZZA SHOP OWNER—Dennis Williams, the new owner of Bethel Pizza on Main Street (formerly Carmella's), with employee Angela Jordan behind the shop's counter. Williams serves fresh-dough pizza, subs and specialty sandwiches seven days a week. Take-out or advance orders can be placed at 824-4430.

(Photo by Wendy Hanscom)



DUNKIN DONUTS AND MORE—Roberta Taylor and her partner Elaine Pilkin (not pictured) have opened the Bottle and Bag on the Mayville Road in Bethel. The store features Dunkin Donuts, cold beer and wine, snacks and groceries. Within a month, Taylor said, the store will also offer fresh pasta, sandwiches and soup. With one day's notice, the store can also cater meetings with special orders of Dunkin Donuts and coffee. The store is open seven days a week, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays and 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday nights. (Photo by Wendy Hanscom)

THURSDAY EVENING		
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(5) Waltons		You
(6) Thoreau's	Roseanne	Mad
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Miss
(10) MacNeil Lehrer		Main
(11) SportsNet	College Basketball	
(12) Club Dance	News	Stat
(13) Entertain	Edition	In th
(14) English Soccer		Colle
(15) Movie: City Heat		
(17) Movie: Dark Horse		
(18) Pure Country	Cont'd	Mov
(20) Bruins	NHL Hockey	Win
(21) Unsolved Mysteries	Siste	
(22) Griffith	B. Hillbilly	Mov
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(26) Major Dad	Wings	Mur
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(27) In Search Of		Time
(32) Eddie's	That Girl	Mov
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SATURDAY EVENING		
	7:00	7:30
(3) Empty Nest	Murphy B.	NBA
(5) BorderTown	Skies	Cou
(6) Inside	Cheers	Mon
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Figu
(10) Maine	Media W.	Ups
(11) SportsNet	NFL	Coll
(12) VideoPM	Stardom	Orn
(13) Untouchables		Med
(14) Horse R.	NHL Hockey	Ne
(15) A River Runs Through It	Mov	
(17) Movie: Rock-A-Doodle		
(18) Rocky	Cont'd	Mov
(20) NHL Hockey	Florida Panthers	
(21) Spenser: Pale Kings	Mov	
(22) Wrestling	NBA Basketball	
(24) Doug	Rugrats	Clar
(25) Movie: Tropic Zone		
(26) Case Closed		No
(27) Hm. Again	Hm. Again	Mov
(32) Eddie's	That Girl	Mov
(34) Runaway	Fortune	Lou
(39) Capital	Sports Sat	Prim

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#### Sunday River To Bethel

DEPARTS South Ridge Lodge ..... 7:40 AM Bethel Inn Townhouses ..... 8:00 AM

8:40 AM 9:00 AM

9:40 AM 10:00 AM

10:40 AM 11:00 AM

2:30 PM 3:00 PM

4:00 PM 4:30 PM

Bethel Inn ..... 8:10 AM 9:10 AM

10:10 AM 11:10 AM

2:50 PM 4:20 PM

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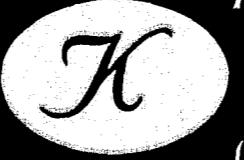
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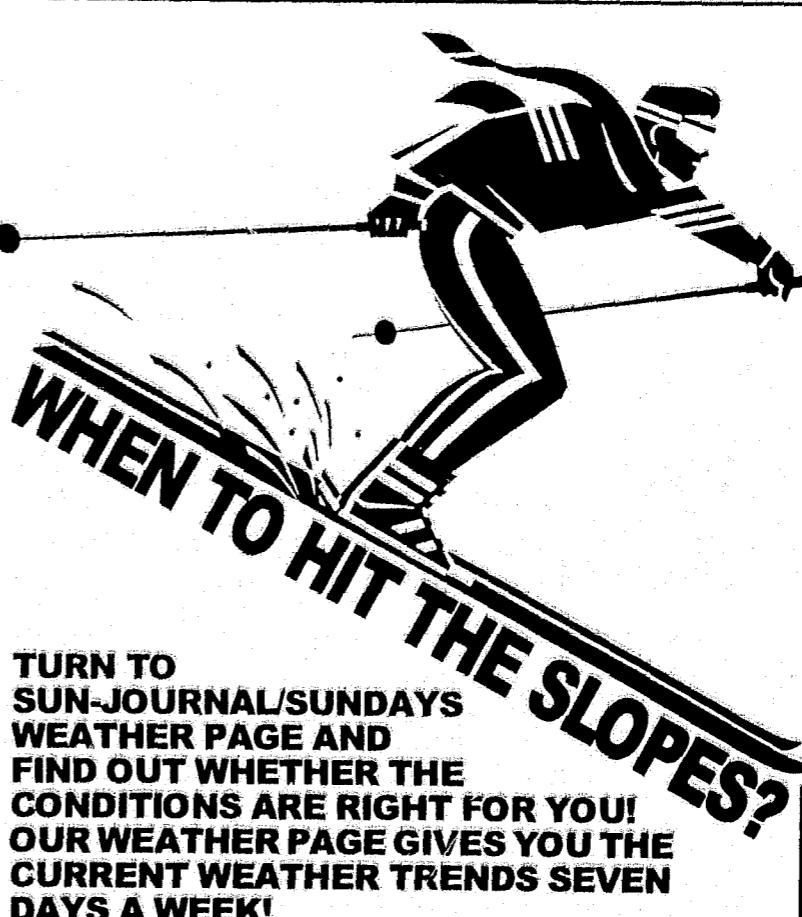
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## THURSDAY EVENING JANUARY 6, 1994

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3)	Cheers	Murphy B.	Time Trax	Kung Fu: The Legend	News	Empty Nest	Cheers	H. Patrol			
(5)	Waltons		Young Riders	Rescue 911	700 Club	Bonanza					
6	Thoreau's	Roseanne	Mad-You Wings	Seinfeld	Frasier	Homicide: Life	News				
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Missing Persons	Figure Skating	Primetime Live	News					
10	MacNeil-Lehrer	Maine	Maine Mystery!	Chelworth	Charlie Rose						
(11)	Sportsctr	College Basketball: Florida State at Virginia	College Basketball: Wisconsin at Penn State	Sportsctr							
(12)	Club Dance	News	Staller Bros	Music City Tonight	Club Dance	News					
13	Entertain.	Edition	In the Heat of the Night	Eye to Eye	Second Chances	News					
(14)	English Soccer		College Basketball: S. Ala. at W. Ky.	Athlete	Sail N.E.	Talk Sport	10th Frame				
(15)	Movie: "City Heat"		Movie: "Backstreet Justice"	Comedy	Inside the NFL						
(17)	Movie: "Dark Horse"		Martin & Lewis Golden Age	Movie: "A Song Is Born"							
(18)	Pure Country	Cont'd	Movie: "Night and the City"	Movie: "Hoffa"							
(20)	Bruins	NHL Hockey: Winnipeg Jets at Boston Bruins	College Basketball: Wash. St. at Cal								
(21)	Unsolved Mysteries	Sisters	Movie: "Strangers Kiss"	Unsolved Mysteries							
(22)	Griffith	B. Hillbillies	Movie: "Midway"								
(24)	Looney	Bullwinkle	Partridge	Get Smart	Dagagnet	Newhart	M.T. Moore	Van Dyke	Lucy Show		
(25)	Movie: "Kentucky"										
(26)	Major Dad	Wings	Murder. She Wrote	Movie: "Hush Little Baby"	Wings	Wings					
(27)	In Search Of	Real West	Nonsense	Movie: "Passion"	Movie: "Kentucky"						
(32)	Eddie's	That Girl	Renegade	Fugitive	News	Kojak					
(34)	Design. W.	Jeffersons	Movie: "The China Lake Murders"	News	Night Court	Highlander					
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	PrimeneWS	Larry King Live	World News	Sports	Moneyline				

## SUNDAY EVENING JANUARY 9, 1994

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3)	Kung Fu: The Legend	Movie: Memphis			News	Manager	H. Patrol				
(5)	My Dog	Young Riders	Jungle	Big Jak	Rescue 911	McGregor	In Touch				
6	I Witness	Video	Sequester DSV	Movie: Secret Sins of the Father			News				
8	Videos	Funnies	Lois & Clark-Superman	Movie: Tango & Cash			News	Crusaders			
10	All Creatures	Nature		Masterpiece Theatre							
(11)	Sportsctr	NFL	PBTA Billiards	Boxing: Orlin Norris vs. James Waring							
(12)	Auto Race	NHRA	Racing	Raceday	Fishing	Fishing	Bassmaster	Outdoors	Grand Prix	Trucks	
13	60 Minutes		Murder. She Wrote	Snowbound	The Jim and Jennifer Stupak Story		News				
(14)	Major League Baseball's Greatest Games			Boxing: Pro Thru							10th Frame Book Table
(15)	Forever Young	Cont'd	Movie: Unforgiven								Sanders
(17)	Movie: "Night Crossing"			Harry Connick	Movie: Carousel						Grem Stoker's Dracula
(18)	Short Circuit	Cont'd	Movie: "My Cousin Vinny"		Movie: Patriot Games						
(20)	College Basketball: UAB at Cincinnati		English Soccer								Hockey
(21)	Summer Girl	Cont'd	Movie: Tell Me That You Love Me		Lifetime Magazine						Clippings
(22)	Figure Skating: U.S. Open Championship		National Geographic Explorer								Mysteries
(24)	Afraid?	R house	Nick News	Mork	Lucy Show	Var. Dyke	M.T. Moore	Newhart	Dagagnet	Hitchcock	
(25)	Movie: "Remember the Night"		Movie: You're Never Too Young		Movie: Your Life Boy-Hair						
(26)	Movie: "Hush Little Baby"		Case Closed		Silk Stalkings						Silk Stalkings
(27)	House of Elliott		America's Castles		Mrs. Marple		Caroline's Comedy Hour				
(32)	Eddie's	That Girl	Movie: A Man Called Horse		News	Charles					Pad Prog
(34)	Design. W.	Odd Cple	Movie: Blanche Fury		News						Night Court
(39)	Pinnacle	Sport Sun	PrimeneWS	CNN Presents	World News						Sports Business

## FRIDAY EVENING JANUARY 7, 1994

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3)	Cheers	Murphy B.	Movie: "Staying Alive"		News	Empty Nest	Cheers	H. Patrol			
(5)	Waltons		Movie: "I'd Rather Be Rich"		700 Club	Bonanza					
6	Murphy B.	Roseanne	Viper	Movie: "Bermuda Grace"		News					
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Fam. Mat	Boy-World	Step by S.	Mr. Cooper	20/20	News			
10	MacNeil-Lehrer		Wash. Wk.	Wall St.	Wait God	Minister	Served	Fawlty T.	Smith & J.	Ch. Rose	
(11)	Sportsctr	NHL Hockey: Pittsburgh Penguins at Buffalo Sabres			Pro Ski Tour	Sportsctr					
(12)	Club Dance	Cry News	Video Album	Music City Tonight	Club Dance	Cry News					
13	Entertain.	Edition	Diagnosis Murder	Burke's Law	Picket Fences	News					
(14)	Pregame	NBA Basketball: Cleveland Cavaliers at Boston Celtics		Hockey: Gallivan Cup	Rinksider	Basketball					
(15)	Inside the NFL		Movie: Raiders of the Lost Ark	Movie: Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom							
(17)	The Further Adventures of the Wilderness Family		Movie: Mountain Family Robinson	Movie: "The Grey Fox"							
(18)	Howards End	Cont'd	Movie: Peter's Friends	Movie: "Passenger 57"							
(20)	College Hockey	Northeastern at Boston College	College Hockey: Lake Superior State at Michigan								
(21)	Unsolved Mysteries	Sisters	Movie: "The Mosquito Coast"		Jokers						
(22)	Griffith	B. Hillbillies	Movie: "Poltergeist"		Movie: Poltergeist III						
(24)	Looney	Bullwinkle	Top Ten Countdown		Movie: Detective Story	One Hour With You					
(25)	Movie: "Stalgia 17"				Movie: Bad Influence	Movie: Private School					
(26)	Major Dad	Wings	Murder. She Wrote	Investigative Reports	Ancient Mysteries	Evening at the Improv					
(27)	In Search Of		Time Machine								
(32)	Eddie's	That Girl	Movie: To Live and Die in L.A.	News	Kojak						
(34)	Design. W.	Jeffersons	Movie: "The Ladykillers"	News	Night Court	Comedy					
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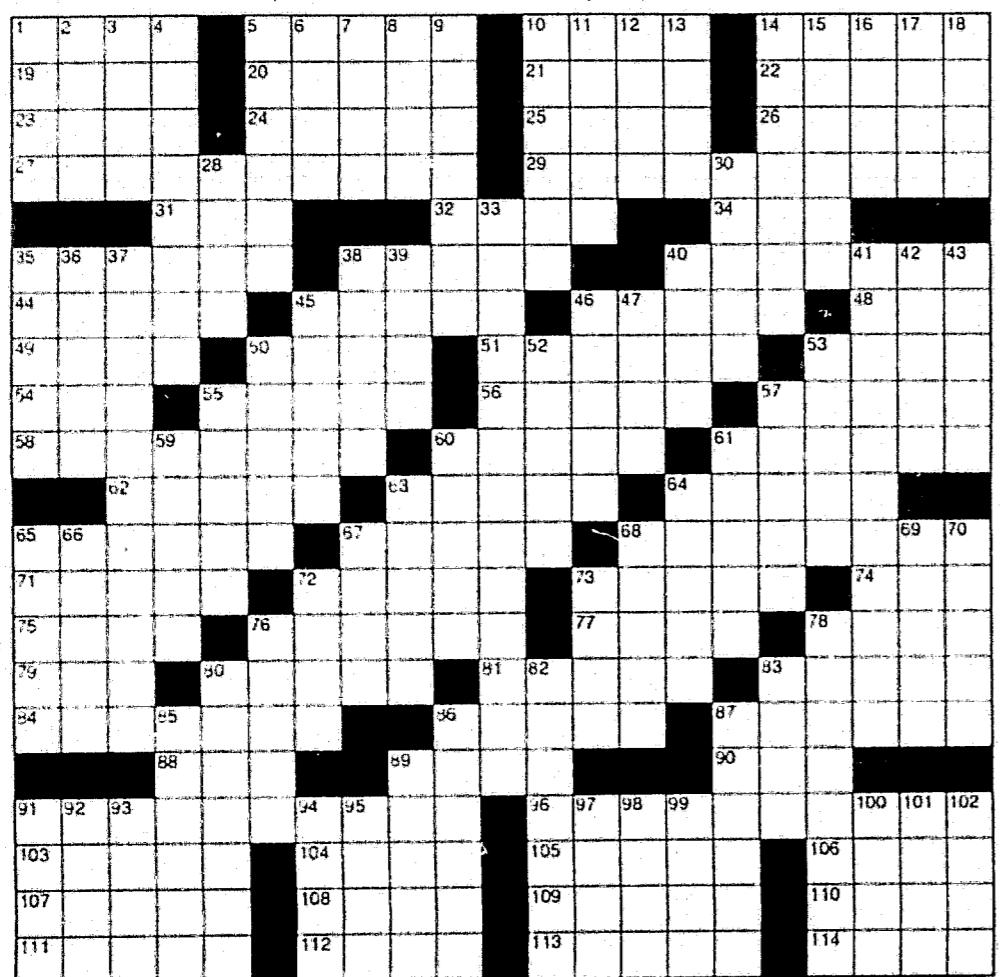
## MONDAY EVENING JANUARY 10, 1994

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3)	Cheers		NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Philadelphia 76ers		News	Empty Nest	Cheers	H. Patrol			
(5)	Waltons		Young Riders		Cindy Williams Special	700 Club	Bonanza				
6	Murphy B.	Roseanne	Fresh Pr.								

## Super Crossword

**ACROSS**

- 1 Like molasses
- 5 Boats
- 10 "Picket Fences" setting
- 14 Portents
- 19 "Damn Yankees" vamp
- 20 Cowboy competition
- 21 Lake in HOMES
- 22 Card of fortune
- 23 Boxelder genus
- 24 Hersey hamlet
- 25 Frost's "Mending —"
- 26 Threelfold
- 27 Song for Springsteen?
- 29 Song for Nervous Nellie?
- 31 Palmas
- 32 Rochester's beloved
- 34 Latin verb
- 35 Where 13 is a dozen
- 38 Lute of India
- 40 Spanish nobleman
- 44 Mideast VIPs
- 45 Island off
- 46 Actress Barkin
- 48 Like Father William
- 49 Tamlyn of "West Side Story"
- 50 Hide
- 51 "Fifth Business"
- 52 Obstacle
- 54 Ending for host
- 55 Fresh crew
- 56 Like Falstaff
- 57 Dull finish
- 58 Hardened
- 60 Hagar's dog
- 61 Was a total failure
- 62 Racer Irvan
- 63 Daff
- 64 Bristles
- 65 "The Empire Strikes Back"
- 67 Shocking colors
- 68 Free at last?
- 71 Dodge
- 72 Ice-cream nut
- 73 More stark
- 74 Actress Charlotte
- 75 Ballet movement
- 76 Ravel opus
- 77 City on the Oka
- 78 Ancient Elam's capital
- 79 Sign of nervousness
- 80 Raise
- 81 Courted
- 82 Approach for a date
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- 84 Approach for a date
- 85 Former South African premier
- 86 Former
- 87 Shilly — (vacillate)
- 88 Years on end notation
- 89 Proodreader's notation
- 90 Goal
- 91 Song for Barnacle Bill?
- 92 Song for Broom-Hilda?
- 93 One — blanche
- 94 "The Empire Strikes Back"
- 95 "Verdi heroine
- 96 Song for (hamstrung)
- 97 Omnim-gatherum
- 98 Broome
- 99 Cast ashore
- 100 More
- 101 Torch's crime
- 102 Verdi heroine
- 103 — blanche
- 104 Psychosanalyst Erikson
- 105 barrel
- 106 Omnim-gatherum
- 107 Broome
- 108 Boom
- 109 More
- 110 Caval singular
- 111 Goatee
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- 113 Nine: comb. form
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- 115 Thick slice
- 116 Actor Vidov
- 117 Wild Orchid"
- 118 Approach
- 119 Small songbirds
- 120 Forward
- 121 poster
- 122 You can spare these
- 123 He was first
- 124 8 Actress
- 125 Rowlands
- 126 9 Oklahomans
- 127 10 Wanted
- 128 11 Papal cape
- 129 12 Pepper
- 130 13 Grigs
- 131 14 Footstool
- 132 15 Cast ashore
- 133 16 Psychoanalyst Erikson
- 134 17 Pheasant
- 135 18 Footstool
- 136 19 Oklahomans
- 137 20 100 Goal
- 138 21 Frog Prince?
- 139 22 Wellington, for one
- 140 23 A.B.A.
- 141 24 Conductor Walter
- 142 25 Symbol of Eire
- 143 26 Marquis de Sade?
- 144 27 Overjoyed
- 145 28 Sided
- 146 29 Fracas
- 147 30 — street's a boulevard..."
- 148 31 Santa's reminder
- 149 32 Danger
- 150 33 Island in the Philippines
- 151 34 Help
- 152 35 Fizzy drinks
- 153 36 Drive
- 154 37 Bogart film of '43
- 155 38 Actress
- 156 39 Bear in the air?
- 157 40 Splay
- 158 41 Donkey creator
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- 160 43 Urn
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- 162 45 Pavlov or Lendl
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- 188 71 Drink too much



## MT. ABRAM EXTENDS FREE LEARN TO SKI PROGRAM

Mt. Abram ski area has announced that the area's ski school will continue to offer its Free Learn To Ski Program to first time skiers.

The offer includes a beginner level ski lesson, a lift ticket and a complete equipment package for the day. The program is offered Monday-Friday only, excluding all weekends and holidays.

"We had some success with a similar program in December," said ski school director Kristin Rollins, "so we decided we should continue to offer the program on a trial basis. Weekdays are a time when our instructors have fewer demands on their time, there are fewer people on the slopes, and conditions are better this time of year, so it makes a lot of sense for us to extend this program."

Mt. Abram's Learn To Ski Free Program is offered to all first skiers ages 6 and up. Reservations are required, as enrollment is limited, but same day reservations may be made as late as 9 a.m. All Learn To Ski Free lessons begin at 10:30 a.m. For reservations and information: 875-5003.

## SNOWMOBILE TRAIL INFO

The Maine Snowmobile Association has established a toll-free telephone line that provides information on trail conditions in seven regions of the state, including the western mountains.

The information is updated at least twice a week, and special events and emergency conditions are reported when appropriate.

The number is 800-880-SNOW (7669). It operates 24 hours a day.

For more information on Maine snowmobiling, call 207-622-SNOW Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SEE ANSWERS--Back Page

## Jackson-Silver Auxiliary

At their last meeting members relaxed at a potluck supper joined by members of the Post and SAL. It was followed by an exchange of gifts, a fun sing-along and playing bingo for surprise, wrapped gifts.

Later, those patients unable to attend the dinner were visited in their rooms and presented with their gifts. At the same time there was an opportunity to say hello to other friends who are patients at the nursing home.

Sunday, Dec. 19, was special because it was the day to visit the veterans who are patients at Ledgeview Memorial Home, have dinner with them and present gifts to each of them. The gifts were purchased with funds received from those who bought the Christmas tree bulbs in memory or honor of veterans. More than 225 names have been received and will be submitted to the papers after the holidays.

At

gaily-decorated tables in the recreation room about 12 Legion and Auxiliary members joined those patients able to come there in a meal spiced with conversation and memories. Also attending was the sister of William Silver, one of those in whose memory the Jackson-Silver Post was named. As they were presented their gifts after the meal, the men wondered how the Auxiliary members had found out what they had wanted from Santa, as they received everything from Tootsie Rolls, caps, shirts, and calendars to jogging pants, electric

razors and talking watches. An additional box of gifts was left to be given to any other patients who may not have anyone to visit or bring them anything for Christmas.

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nursing home.

The next meeting will be Jan. 6 at 7:30. Members are reminded to bring items for the Bethel Area Food Pantry. Other dates to remember: Jan. 15 is the day for mid-winter conference in Rumford, and Jan. 17 the County Council will meet at the Norway Post Home for the annual county Oratorical Contest. Members are urged to come and see what a good job these little school students do and support them in their efforts.

## X-C ski programs

Sunday River Cross Country Ski Center in Newry has announced three ski programs intended to give area residents an inexpensive opportunity to get out and enjoy winter.

The Ski 'n' Soup Group, coordinated by Melinda Remington, will begin its fifth year of Wednesday gatherings on Jan. 12. The group meets at 10 a.m. for a brief clinic on ski technique, then skis on the Center's trails before returning to the base lodge for soup and fellowship. The first session on Jan. 12 will include a 9:30 beginner's clinic, for the first timers or those who want to brush up on their technique.

Marie Keene and Marc Baker, will coordinate the Parents and Tot-Ski Cooperative. This group will meet on Fridays at 10 a.m. beginning Jan. 7 and will follow a format of a half hour of skiing with parents and children followed by an opportunity for parents to ski together while two parents each week watch the youngsters.

The cost of both the Ski 'n' Soup Group and the Parents and Tot-Ski Cooperative is \$5 per adult per week (season pass holders ski free). Rental equipment is available for both programs at \$2 per week. Toddler skis and Polks (children's sleds that can be pulled by a grownup) are available for use free of charge during these weekly events.

A weekly Night Ski will also be held each Friday from 7:30-9 p.m. A flat loop near the Inn is lit with kerosene lanterns, and a bonfire is set out in the woods for marshmallow roasting, warming up, and often singing. A Finnish sauna is also fired up. Tickets for Night Skis are \$2, rentals are \$3.



## Community Calendar



## ACTIVITIES

"Maine Narrow Gauge Railroad Co. & Museum", 58 Fore Street, Portland, is now open for visitors. Videos, memorabilia, two-foot equipment, souvenirs and good fellowship on premises—appeals to all ages. Open every day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Info: 828-0814 or 799-6238 (evenings) for volunteer opportunities.

Thursday, Jan. 6, Woodstock Senior Citizens' meeting at the Town Complex, Bryant Pond—potluck dinner with each person to bring plate, cup and silverware and a dish to pass.

Jackson-Silver Auxiliary meeting, 7:30 p.m. Bring items for Bethel Area Food Pantry.

Saturday, Jan. 8, Woodstock Historical Society, 7 p.m. Sheriff Lloyd "Skip" Herrick will speak on the history of the Oxford county jail and the office of sheriff.

Dance at Locke Mills Town Hall with Richard Felt Orchestra.

Monday, Jan. 10, 7:30 p.m.—Newry Mothers Club meeting at Town Building.

Judith Grover Tent No. 17 Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War installation of officers with a 6 p.m. supper.

Western Maine Management Club meeting at the Bethel Inn -- social hour 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and dinner

6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Price: \$14 per person. For reservations call Terri Grover at Fred P. Saunders Co. in Bridgton, 647-3331 no later than Friday, Jan. 7.

Tuesday, Jan. 11, Pine Tree Legal Assistance meeting with clients, South Paris District Courthouse.

Potluck supper, 6:30 p.m. before the Mundi-Allen Post 81 meeting.

Wednesday, Jan. 12, 11 a.m.—Bethel Senior Citizens' meeting and dinner at the Methodist Church

Saturday, Jan. 15, Women at the Change of Life at Riverside Therapeutics, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or from 2 to 6 p.m. Fee is on a sliding scale from free to \$25. Topics include the mechanics of menopause, hormonal replacement therapy and managing menopause naturally. To register for more information, contact Janet at 824-3889.

Monday, Jan. 17, West Paris Historical Society meeting and oyster stew supper.

Franklin Grange meeting, Bryant Pond.

Tuesday, Jan. 18, 7 p.m.—Bethel Comprehensive Plan Committee meeting at Town Office.

Pine Tree Legal Assistance meeting with clients, Bethel Area Health Center.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m.

Annual business meeting at Bryant Pond Baptist Church.

## ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROGRAM

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and sponsors free and confidential services for presently or formerly abused women. Meetings are held in Rumford on Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in Bethel. The Safer Families toll free 24-hour help and crisis hotline is 1-800-287-2292. For more information call 824-2193 or 1-800-287-2292 (24-hours a day).

## DISTRICT EXCHANGE

Open every Monday 1-4 p.m., Thursday, 4-8 p.m. and the first Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Ethel Bisbee School, Bethel. Clothing on sale, food available for those in need.

## LIBRARY HOURS

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.

Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 6-8 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 4-8 p.m.; Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Story Hour for preschoolers, Thursday, 10-11 a.m. (September through May). Betsy Raymond, Librarian.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tuesday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 3-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m.

East Stoneham

East Stoneham Congregational Church: Janice Wilcox, 10 a.m. worship in February, April, June, August, October and December, 9 a.m. church school (Oct.-June).

Newry Community Church: Rodney H. Hanscom, closed for winter, worship services again in March, 1994.

Woodstock

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist-Pastor Michael Cabana, Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school, 11 a.m. worship.

## CHURCH SERVICES

Bethel

West Parish Congregational- Rev. Brendon Bass and Rev. Jean Bass, worship hour 10:30 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene-Rev. John Grant, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School classes for all ages, 10:30 a.m. morning worship, 6 p.m. evening service.

Our Lady of the Snows-Rev. Albert B. Colpitts, Mass.—Saturday, 4:30 p.m.

Bethel Gospel Center-Rev. Nathan Seckinger, 9 a.m. Sunday school, 10 a.m. worship, 6 p.m. evening service.

Bethel United Methodist-Rev. Henry Nickerson, 10:30 a.m. worship.

West Bethel Union-Rev. John Williams, 9:15 a.m. worship and church school.

Pleasant Valley Bible-Rev. Ron Provencher, 9 a.m. Sunday school, 10 a.m. worship.

Locke Mills

Locke Mills Union-Rev. David Wigley, 9 a.m. worship and Sunday school.

Bryant Pond

Bryant Pond Baptist-Rev. Linwood Hanson, 9:15 a.m. Sunday school, 10:30 a.m. worship, 6 p.m. service.

Whitman Memorial Library

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tuesday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

**Agnes Gray School**

By MARTA CLEMENTS

watches. An ad was left to be read by patients who came to visit or come for Christmas. Patients unable to attend were visited in their homes with their families. There was an "hello to other patients at the nursery."

Auxiliary would like to thank people for their help and for the electric lights for the trees; to the AL who helped put them up; the many who helped their spouses with the purchase of Martha Stowefest, Leah Deegan for the sale of lights; those veterans who keep this the tree.

Christmas activities filled the last week or two before the winter break. The annual Christmas concert was a tremendous success. In addition to some very nice singing, the second-graders added the singing of "Silent Night." Fifth-grader Tobey Shatemberg rendered a solo of "Jingle Bells" on his viola. It was beautiful. The third-graders sang about Santa Claus, and each child had a special part to step forward and present.

A variety of Christmas trees could be found around our schools. We are trying to be aware of our environment, and not be wasteful. Two classrooms sported bare branches of a non-evergreen variety, which were decorated in a traditional fashion. Two classrooms went with the traditional, real tree, and the children brought in decorations and sat in a circle around the tree. One classroom made a beautiful tree from green construction paper using the children's hands as an outline, and

curling up the fingers. Regular decorations were used, and it looked spectacular. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments enjoyed. The second-graders even made stone soup and included a classroom luncheon in their party plans. The first-graders had an artificial tree, and they were able to have theirs up longer than the rest of us. They made Santa ornaments to decorate it. They also were making secret gifts of wood and gift bags to keep their secret in, and took them home to put under their own trees to surprise their parents on Christmas morning.

The kindergarten and first grade visited Ledgewood Nursing Home and sang Christmas carols to the residents. Our music teacher, Mr. Barker, accompanied the two classes. Both students and residents enjoyed the performance and the visit.

The kindergarten children have been studying German Christmas customs, and decorated gingerbread houses. If I had known ahead of time, I would have shared a very special guest, Maylene Cummings, with the little ones. Maylene is a former West Paris student now attending Colby College in Waterville. Maylene spent her senior year of high school in Germany, and she visited my class this week to share some of her experiences with us. We sang some carols in German, and learned about their Christmas traditions. Maylene's niece, Tasha Cummings, is a fifth-grader this year and was responsible for recruiting a visit from her aunt. Thank you, Tasha and Maylene!

We hope everyone enjoys the Christmas break. One of the first items on the agenda in January will be the Parent Volunteer meeting on the first Tuesday, Jan. 4, at 6:30 in the library. See you then!

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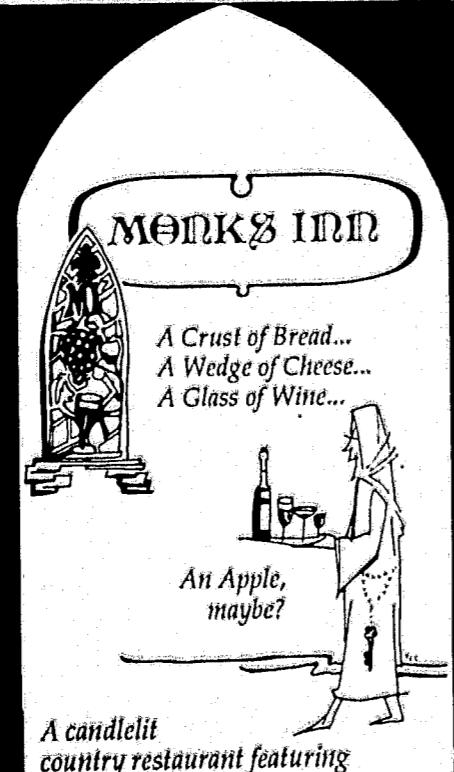
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**MASTER GARDENER COURSE**

The University of Maine Cooperative Extension will again offer its popular Master Gardener Program in spring 1994.

Participants in the Master Gardener Program will receive 10 three-hour training sessions on gardening, starting in February. After successful completion of the training program, each Master Gardener will volunteer 30 hours to a community gardening project.

The 1994 program will focus on food production: the planting and care of tree fruits, small fruits, and vegetables. Cooperative Extension specialists, County Educators, and other experts will provide in-depth training on topics as diverse as which vegetable varieties are best for Maine, how to prune apple trees, and how to establish and maintain strawberry plantings.

**UMO SOILS COURSE**

The University of Maine Cooperative Extension has scheduled a three-session soils course on Fridays, Jan. 21 through Feb. 4 at two locations in southern Maine. The morning session will be held at the USDA Service Center in Lewiston from 10 to 12. The session will be repeated in the afternoon at the USDA Center in Gorham. The course is designed for farmers and is practical in nature. Each session will focus on a specific aspect of farm soil. Topics to be featured include: soil management, understanding soil fertility, and improving soil structure.

The course is free. Registration is required as space is limited. For course information or to register, call 743-6329, or 1-800-287-1482.

Basics of plant care will also be covered, including soil management, planting techniques, and pest management.

Volunteer projects will include community demonstration gardens, where Master Gardeners will share their knowledge with members of their local communities. "This is the best part of the program," said Barbara Murphy, Extension Educator in Oxford County. "We can reach hundreds of people through trained volunteers who are eager to share their knowledge and enthusiasm with other gardeners."

The training program for southern Maine will be held at the Gray Congregational Church, starting Friday, Feb. 18 and continuing once each week through Friday, April 22. For more information, or to request an application form for the program, call the Oxford County Extension Office at 743-6329 or 1-800-287-1482.

**PARENTS SUPPORT GROUP**

An ongoing support group for parents of children with emotional/behavioral needs is scheduled to resume meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 11, 6:30 p.m. at Tri-County Mental Health Services' Conference Room in South Paris.

The meeting will be facilitated by Pat Hunt of the G.E.A.R. program of Crisis and Counseling Centers, which is sponsored by the Bureau of Children with Special Needs.

Parents whose daily lives are affected by their child's emotional/behavioral needs are encouraged to attend.

Meetings are currently scheduled for the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

For more information: 225-2544.

**School sports****Basketball****Telstar 27, Livermore 36**

The Telstar High School J.V. girl's basketball team lost 27-36 Wednesday to Livermore Falls.

Beth Howe was high scorer with 11 points. The Rebels shot 18.8 percent from the floor and 24 percent from the foul line.

Telstar led through the third quarter, but had some offensive foul trouble at the end of the game, according to coach Mark Thurlow.

Caesar Morgan was high scorer with 16 points, followed by Todd Wing, 13; Cory Koch, 12 and Kevin Mullen, 11.

**Telstar 67, Rangely 55**

The Telstar High School boys' varsity basketball team lost 67-75 to Rangely on Dec. 28, the second game of the holiday tournament in Rangely.

Telstar was behind by 20 points at the beginning of the fourth quarter, but rallied to within six points of the lead, 67-61 with 58 seconds left in the game. But Rangely went on to win it 67-75.

**MENOPAUSE WORKSHOP AT RIVERSIDE THERAPEUTICS**

Women at the change of life is the subject of the Jan. 15 workshop at Riverside Therapeutics.

The workshop will feature Kathleen Zagata, a nurse educator, who runs menopause workshop in Boston. Zagata will speak on the psychological and physical changes that define menopause.

Topics will include the pros and cons of hormonal replacement therapy; the physical, mental and emotional mechanics of menopause, and managing menopause naturally with nutritional supplements, exercise and stress management.

Cost for the workshop is on a sliding scale from free to \$25. Two sessions are scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or from 2 to 6 p.m.

For more information or to register contact Janet Willie at Riverside Therapeutics, 824-3889.

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## Obituaries

### KELLIE J. HAINES

Kellie J. Haines, 25, died Monday, Dec. 20, 1993 in Bethel as a result of an auto accident.

She was born Nov. 15, 1968 at Stoughton, Mass., the daughter of William J. Wells and Donna Dunn. She attended East Bridgewater, Mass., schools and Telstar High School, from which she graduated in 1986. She attended medical technician training at Rumford Community Hospital and worked as a nurse's aide at Rumford Community Home and at Ledgeview Nursing Home in West Paris. She also was employed by Sunday River Ski Area. She married Charles Haines Jr. on Oct. 28, 1989.

Mrs. Haines is survived by her husband, a son, Allen Haines, and a daughter, Cassandra Haines; all of Bethel; her mother of Eastport; one brother, William Wells of Bethel; two sisters, Joanne Varnum of Mexico and Lee Wells of Nahant, Mass.; and maternal grandmother, Jean Dunn of East Bridgewater, Mass. She was predeceased by her father.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Dec. 23, at Greenleaf Funeral Home in Bethel. Interment will be in the East Bethel Cemetery in the spring.

### SHARON LEA OLDENBURG

Sharon Lea Oldenburg, 46, died suddenly early Monday morning, Dec. 27, 1993, in Waynesboro, Ga., where she had resided for the past four months.

Mrs. Oldenburg was born in Rumford on April 27, 1947, the daughter of the late Orris and Bernice (Cole) Bachelder. She attended Rumford and Dixfield schools, but had been a resident of the Bethel area for many years.

Mrs. Oldenburg is survived by a daughter, Tamara E. Rice, and a son, Edward O. Rice, both of Gilead; two brothers, Kevin A. and Shannon R. Bachelder both of Rumford. She was pre-deceased by an infant daughter, Tina Lea Rice.

Cremation was in Waynesboro, Ga., on Dec. 30. Graveside services will be held in the spring at the East Bethel Cemetery.

### Card of Thanks

Your calls, concern and acts of kindness mean more than you know. A sincere thank you to John and Cheryl Elliot, Den and Marvonne Wheeler and the local firemen. The list is endless. It's a comforting thought to know that people are there when you need them.

Thank you and God Bless  
Dale, Jamaine, Shye Buck and the Boys

### MILDRED B. POULIN

Mildred (Brown) Buck Poulin, 94, widow of Archille Poulin of Bryant Pond, died Sunday afternoon, January 2, 1994, after a brief illness at Ledgeview Nursing Home.

She was born in Milton Plantation, the daughter of John and Hatlie (Estes) Brown, and had lived in Bryant Pond for the greater portion of her life. She attended Bethel and Bryant Pond schools and for many years worked as a wood lathe operator at the former Mann's Mill in Bryant Pond before retiring when the mill closed many years ago.

On June 30, 1917, she married Clinton Buck; he died in 1962. On Jan. 12, 1970, she married Archille Poulin, who died in 1973. Mrs. Poulin was a member of the Bryant Pond Baptist Church, and a charter member of Woodstock Senior Citizens group.

Mrs. Poulin is survived by a son, Kenneth Buck of Silver Springs, Fla., and a summer resident of Norway; 13 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. Mrs. Poulin was predeceased by a daughter, Arlene B. Cushman, and a son, Sherwood Buck.

Graveside services will be held in the spring at Abbott Mills Cemetery, Rumford. Friends who

wish may make memorial contributions in her memory to Tri-Town Rescue, P.O. Box 275, West Paris, ME 04287.

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### KARLA D. MILLETT

Karla D. Millett, 25, of Deer Hill Road, Waterford, died Wednesday, Dec. 29, 1993, at Stephens Memorial Hospital in Norway.

She was born at Bangor on Sept. 6, 1968, the daughter of Sawin and Barbara (Shaw) Millett. She graduated from Oxford Hills High School and received her certified nurses aide certificate from Sweetser Children's Services in Saco.

Miss Millett is survived by her parents of Waterford; one son, Sean Howard Millett; maternal grandparents, Perry and Arlene Shaw of Carmel; paternal grandmother, Marguerite Gordon of Waterford; three brothers, Kenneth J. Millett of Winthrop, Kerry D. Millett of Atlantic City, N.J., and Kevin J. Millett of Waterford; and one sister, Kathy J. Millett of Tucson, Ariz.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 1, 1994, at Waterford Flat Church in Waterford. Interment will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, North Waterford. In lieu of flowers, donations in Karla's memory may be sent to either Sean Howard Millett Fund, c/o Sawin Millett, RR 2 Box 117, Harrison, ME 04040, or the Pine Tree Epilepsy Assoc., 622 Congress Street, Portland, ME 04101.

### TYLER SERVICES

Funeral services for Warren Tyler were held Thursday at Greenleaf Funeral Home in Bethel with Rev. Brendon Bass officiating. Interment will be at the Pine Grove Cemetery, West Bethel, in the spring.

### BETHEL SENIOR CITIZENS

The Bethel Senior Citizens will meet Jan. 12 at the Methodist Church in Bethel at 11 a.m. Price of dinner is \$5.

At this time the 1994 membership cards can be purchased. It is very important for each person to have a card. The price is \$2 for those under 80, \$1 over 80, and free over 90.

### In Loving Memory of

#### Errold Donahue, Sr.

Who passed away December 31, 1963.

Wife, Children, and Grandchildren

### BETHEL MAN IN COLLEGE CONSERVATION CORPS

Roy Buck Jr. of Bethel is among seven young men and women who are starting a 12-month community service program.

The seven are joining 11 other young people currently in the College Conservation Corps of Maine. The group's year of service will begin in the woods of Maine and end at Unity College.

At the beginning of January the group will leave for a two-week training session in the backcountry.

Equipped with snowshoes, cross-country skis and field tools, crews will trek into the woods where they will live in cabins.

Upon completion of the backcountry session the group will attend Unity College for the spring semester.

Corpsmembers will study English, math and courses related to natural resource conservation. While in school they will also work on local community service projects.

During the summer, corpsmembers will work as part of a backcountry team, as assistant team leaders for a Maine Conservation Corps high school team or as interns with a natural resource agency. They will return to Unity for their second semester with the CCCM.

The CCCM is administered through the Jobs Training Administrative Office and funded through a grant from the federal Corporation on National and Community Service.

### SEAMAN HAMMER DEPLOYED TO ITALY

Navy Seaman Daniel J. Hammer, son of Margaret Hand of Bryant Pond, recently reported for duty aboard the submarine tender U.S.S. Simon Lake, forward deployed to La Maddalena, Italy.

A 1989 graduate of Telstar Regional High School, Hammer joined the Navy in March 1993.

### BUTTERS RECEIVES MEDAL

Air Force Capt. Anthony M. Butters has been decorated with the Air Force Achievement Medal.

The medal is awarded to airmen for meritorious service, acts of courage, or other outstanding accomplishments.

Butters, a C-141 standardization/evaluation chief, is the son of Muriel E. Butters of Bethel.

### NAZARENE CHURCH TO CELEBRATE 32ND BIRTHDAY

The Bethel Church of the Nazarene will celebrate its 32nd birthday with special services on Sunday, Jan. 9. The church was organized in January of 1962 at the corner of Broad and Paradise Streets, on the property formerly known as the Dr. W.H. Gray property. The church later moved to its present location in the former Universalist Church at the corner of Church and Park Streets.

In honor of the occasion, Rev. Robert Jackson, former pastor to the church and presently pastor at the Church of the Nazarene in Maynard, Mass., will bring the message at the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.

Following the morning service, there will be a potluck dinner, after which pastors John and Debbie Grant will perform a gospel music concert. The day's celebration will conclude with the 3 p.m. showing of the latest Billy Graham Ministries movie, "Come the Morning," staring Susan Howard and Travis Knight.

For details, or more information, call Rev. Grant at 824-3766.

### FREE LEGAL AID

Pine Tree Legal Assistance assists low-income people with civil legal matters, such as evictions; public housing issues; denial, reduction or termination of government benefits; unemployment; and special education. Through a Rural Access Program, Pine Tree holds office hours in each of four communities in Androscoggin and Oxford County once a month. The purpose is to help those who meet poverty income levels to receive legal assistance with the many problems that face the poor.

An attorney from Pine Tree will meet with clients at the following times and places in the month of January:

—Tuesday, Jan. 11, South Paris District Courthouse.

—Tuesday, Jan. 18, Bethel Area Health Center.

—Monday, Jan. 24, Rumford District Courthouse.

To schedule an appointment at any of these locations, call Pine Tree Legal Assistance at 784-1558.

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### THOUGHTS FROM THE Pastor's Study

*The Bethel Area Clergy Association, with the help of pastors of surrounding churches, brings you these meditations. Not based on any set theme, they will be individual for each pastor. It is hoped you will find in these words comfort and hope for your daily life.*

The beautiful sounds of our Christmas carols remain with us only as echoes, as remembrances of the joyous season run through our minds.

The peal of the New Year's bells too have faded away. And a busy world continues on with its pleasures and labor. With Christmastime comes our Christian season of Advent, which is not only a time in which we celebrate Christ's birth, but his second coming as well.

New Year's has no special meaning in our faith; in fact the Jewish New Year falls in September, and it was in this period of time that the first Passover was celebrated, and is still a special time of celebration for the Jewish faith.

This first Passover was a prelude to exodus of the children of Israel from Egypt, being led by Moses.

In John 3:17, Christ after telling his purpose and reason of his being says, "For God sent his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved."

We look back with mixed emotions at Christ's birth, his refusal of a room makes most of us wonder at the heartlessness of the innkeeper and others, not only because of the fact of who he was, but rejection of anyone at such a time seems cold and cruel.

But this would become the way he would be received by many. Many today say that Christ was not born on the day we celebrate. This could be true, it makes no difference. What matters to us is that he is born to us when we accept him as our Saviour.

How fitting then does our celebration of Christmas fit in with our civil celebration of New Year.

For after our acceptance of him, we come into the beginning, our past is put away, then again when we look at Advent as celebrating the second coming of Christ, this too is the birth of a new life.

*Rodney H. Hanscom*

*Pastor, Newry Community Church*

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